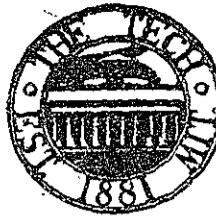


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Petition Requests Referendum On Off Campus Hazing Ban

A petition is now being circulated requesting that a special referendum of the undergraduate body be called by the President of Institute Committee. The petition calls for an expression of student opinion on the motion which abolished off-campus hazing and which was passed at the Institute Committee meeting last Wednesday. The referendum must be held if the petition receives two hundred signatures. The sponsors of the petition are Garry Quinn, '56, Henry Kleinman, '56, Robert Barenberg, '56, Howard Trachtenberg, '56 and Harris Weinstein, '56.

In addition to the request for the referendum, the petition asks the Judicial Committee to refrain from enforcing the ban on off-campus hazing until the action of the Institute Committee has been reviewed by the student body. The request, however, is not binding on the Judicial Committee. Since the referendum could probably not be held until after Field Day, any acceptance to this request by Judicial Committee would in effect nullify the Institute Committee action in so far as this year's Freshman-Sophomore rivalry is concerned.

L.S.C. To Present Film, "Open City" Starring Magnani

Pete Seeger, one of the foremost banjoists and folk song artists in the nation, will be guest artist at a concert sponsored by the Lecture Series Committee. The program will be held in room 10-250 at 5:00 p.m. today. There will be no admission fee. WMIT will broadcast the entire performance.

Mr. Seeger performed at the Institute last spring before a capacity crowd. An even greater turnout is expected at this afternoon's performance.

"Open City," an Italian drama of the Second World War, will be presented this Thursday, October 22, in room 10-250. Rated top entertainment by Time magazine, the film has taken First Prize at movie festivals at Rome and Zurich, and Grand Prix at Venice and Cannes.

The feature, starring Anna Magnani and Aldo Fabrizi, will be shown at 5:00, 7:30, and 9:30 p.m. English subtitles will supplement the Italian dialogue. Admission price is 30 cents.

Officers Elected At East Campus Meeting Wed.

Thefts from the East Campus luggage cages were the chief topic of discussion of the East Campus House Committee meeting last Wednesday night. The cages are so arranged that it is possible to crawl over the wiring which has become loose at the top. In addition, anyone may sign out the East Campus desk, a key, to a cage at any house. On account of the numerous thefts by these and possibly other methods, the Committee recommended that the cages be locked, and secured.

Dormitory Committee Elections for House Committee officers and representatives were held with the following results: Gerald Golden, '54 was elected Secretary and Robert Rohner, Treasurer. Dormitory Committee representatives are Golden and Laurine Leonard, '54; while the Judicial Committee representative is George Werk, '54.

The Committee recommended that be delivered to the rooms, although it was not delivered last year.

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Student - Faculty Comm Schedules Freshman Mixers

A series of Freshmen "Mixers" has been scheduled this week by the Student Faculty Committee. Each Section has already or will soon meet informally as a unit with the faculty advisors of each student as well as a number of the Section's instructors. This year's series of "mixers" is similar in form, if less pretentious in title to last year's "teas" also sponsored by the Student-Faculty Committee. The "mixers" are being held in four Lounges: 6-321, 7-403, 2-290, and the Jackson room. Sections 11 and 27 met yesterday in the Moore room, 6-321, as did Section 12 in 7-403 and Sections 14 and 20 in 2-290. Today, Section 3 will meet at 3:00 p.m., Section 8 at 4:00 p.m. and Section 30 at 5:00 p.m. in the Moore room; while Section 15 will meet at 4:00 p.m. in 7-403; and Sections 5, 9 and 25 will meet respectively at 3:00, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. in 2-290.

Wednesday, Section 18 will meet at 4:00 p.m. in 7-403, while Sections 22 and 25 will meet respectively at 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. in 2-290. On Thursday, Sections 10, 1 and 6 will meet respectively at 2:00, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. in the Jackson room; while Section 4 will meet at 4:00 p.m. in 7-403; and Sections 21 and 29 will meet respectively at 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. in 2-290.

Burton House Fire Causes Commotion Among Residents

Thursday evening last week saw the second fire in two weeks at Burton House. As the Cambridge Fire Department drew up, inhabitants ran out, not only to the street, but also to the roof. These roof-bound residents greeted the appearance of a ladder and firemen with "marias," water bombs and other fire fighting apparatus. The firemen were impeded by autograph-seekers and photograph hounds with, "Hold it, please."

One enterprising student with a microphone and speaker serenaded the firefighters with *Dragnet* and pertinent comments. Another was reportedly heard calling, "Get your programs here. You can't tell the players without a program."

Although the fire was due to a burned out armature in the 410 section elevator, the center of activity

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Hoopsters Boast Nine Lettermen; Rally Tomorrow

Basketball coach Scotty Whitelaw has issued the call to all Tech basketball players to turn their thoughts toward the coming season. Whitelaw is determined that this year's team be in tip-top shape. For the last few seasons, Tech fives have usually been run off the court in the second-half. Giff Weber, '55; Carl Hess, '54; Al Schultz, '52; and Ken Christie, '54; (Continued on page 4)

Ushers And Marshals Sign-up List Collected For 1953 Field Day

The sign-up sheets for Field Day ushers and marshals which have been posted in the dormitories will be collected today. Members of the senior class serve as marshals and juniors as ushers. They are charged with the general administration and supervision of the Field Day activities.

During the Glove Fight, the main event of the day, the marshals will watch the barrel containing the gloves the sophomores have wrested from the freshmen and the ushers will keep a watchful eye on the freshman barrel. The marshals and ushers will also be available to shield those participants in the glove fight who will "give their all" for the glory of their class.

Marshals and ushers may be accompanied by their dates. Serving as a marshal or usher is an extracurricular activity and is one of the few ways upperclassmen can participate actively in Field Day.

Tech Rugby Club Takes 14-6 Win Over New York

The New York Rugby Club met the M.I.T. Rugby Club in a game on Briggs Field, Saturday afternoon. It was a hard clean fought game which ended with the Techmen ahead, 14-6. The half time score was 3-3. The final score is not truly representative of the game because the score was still tied 6-6 in the middle of the final half. Before Tech broke the game open, John Gam and George Chippendale broke through the New Yorkers' defense and Weir Goodwin made the score. Last year's captain Tom Hoffman made the kick good for an extra two points. The final tally was made by Captain Chuck Johnstone, but Hoffman's kick was wide.

The game was very close fought during the first half, the two scores coming on penalty field goals. The game was exceptional in the large number of penalty kicks. The Tech team was penalized most often during the afternoon. This is most likely due to the technical inexperience of the Tech players since the newcomers have only been playing the game for a few weeks.

Tech definitely had the heavier serum but New York normally took the ball away from them, due to superior play.

The Tech forwards looked good with the return of five experienced and skilled men, Joe Walsh, Tom Hoffman, "Moose" Walquist, Phil Perry and Captain "Chuck" Johnson. The forwards have been strengthened with the addition of some new players, Larry McGovern, Ted Mariana, and Chuck Henry. The back line has been strengthened by the addition of speedy George Chippendale who has looked very good in practice and in the game. The back line has an experienced serum half in Allen Monck, g., and the experienced fly half John Gam, g. "Chip" Chippendale was playing inside center and Weir Goodwin, outside center, with Emery Reid at wing. On the other wing was Jack Livingstone. Backing up at full-back was former captain Austin Whittier.

NEW STUDENTS

Over 400 new students have not as yet reported for their required physical examination. An appointment for such an examination must be made at the Homberg Infirmary before October 31. A \$5.00 fee will be charged for late examinations.

Extra Prom Tickets Almost Total Sellout; Exchanges Possible

All but about ten of the extra 150 tickets to the Junior Prom put on sale by the Junior Prom Committee have been sold. These tickets were made available when the original 420 were bought within two hours after the sales booth opened.

The 150 additional couples will be seated in the Georgian Room, located right across from the Imperial Ballroom, where everyone will dance. It is planned to pipe music from the main ballroom to the Georgian Room. There will be waiter service in this supplementary ballroom exclusively.

Although tickets to the affair have been almost completely sold, the Junior Prom Committee booth in Building 10 is still open on an exchange basis. Thus students who wish to dispose of their tickets to the Prom for one reason or another may bring them to the booth for sale to someone else.

During intermission a member of the Harvard Faculty, Tom Lair, will entertain with some original songs. Mr. Lair has performed at a number of other Proms and has been quite well received. All of the couples at the affair will get miniature beer mugs as a souvenir of the occasion. The Prom is to be held Friday, Oct. 30, and the informal dance will be the next night.

It is believed that the abnormally rapid sale of tickets is due to the presence of a "name" band, Ralph Flanagan. Flanagan was voted the number one band in the country in a recent poll of disc jockeys. He will have two vocalists in addition to fifteen bandmen when he plays Friday night. Music for the second night will be provided by George Graham and his orchestra.

Calder Mobile Sent To Hartford Museum Display

For the first time in almost three years the front hall of the Institute, the Building 7 lobby, is minus the famous mobile designed by Alexander Calder. On September 25, the 175 pound work was dismantled, packed and shipped to Hartford, Connecticut with its return date unknown and rumored to be nonexistent.

A free public art museum, the Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford, is large enough to display both the mobile and the works of Nam Gabe, an artist whose works were once displayed in the Hayden Memorial Library Exhibition room here at the Institute. The dual show at Hartford opened October 15 and will remain there for two or three weeks.

Calder is lending the mobile to the Atheneum just as he loaned it to the Institute in December of 1950. Since its erection in Building 7 the delicately balanced work has reacted to every breeze and puff of smoke touch-

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Lord Jeffs Hand Tech Soccermen First Defeat, 3-1

The soccer team suffered its first defeat of the season at the hands of Amherst by a 3-1 score on Saturday, October 17.

Playing at the winners' field, the booters, thanks a great deal to the efforts of Martins and Dykes, were able to press the attack throughout the game. Although they were able to get off more shots than their opponents, the Techmen could not score until the fourth quarter, when Paul Cianci, '56 assisted by Rafael Morales, '55 got Tech's only goal.

Walt Frey, '56 played the first half in the goal mouth, and was scored on twice. Pablo Tomayo, '56 tended goal the second half and allowed Amherst to score on a penalty shot. Amherst's depth was the difference, allowing them to run the Tech team ragged.

Unable to secure lunch before gametime, the team had to nourish themselves with dextrose pills and a brew composed of orange juice and honey. Amherst, earlier this season, defeated Dartmouth, last year's league champions, 7-0.

Dr. Killian Speaks At Fall Conclave On MIT Growth

Dr. Vannevar Bush, President of the Carnegie Foundation, Dr. Karl T. Compton, Chairman of the M.I.T. Corporation, and Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., President of the Institute, spoke at the recent Convocation held in Rockwell Cage. Dr. Bush's address was unavailable to *The Tech* for publication, but due to many requests, mimeographed copies of the speech (Continued on page 4)

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Calender of Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Freshman Soccer Team. Match with Harvard College. Briggs Field, 3:00 p.m. Varsity Soccer Team. Match with Tufts College. Briggs Field, 3:00 p.m. Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. Lecture: "What Are We Here For? Our Purpose in Life." Mr. Peter Haile. Room 7-103, 5:00 p.m.

Mathematics Society. Lecture: "Transfinite Numbers." Professor George B. Thomas, Jr. Room 4-370, 5:00 p.m.

Concert Band. Rehearsal. Morss Hall, Walker Memorial, 7:30 p.m.

M. I. T. Management Association. Lectures: "The Management School and Its Alumni: Aims and Accomplishments." Dean E. P. Brooks and Professor Erwin H. Schell, Room 52-461, 7:30 p.m.

Chemistry Department. Harvard-M.I.T. Physical Chemistry Colloquium: "Quantum-Mechanical Chemical Kinetics." Professor Sidney Golden, Brandeis University. Harvard University, Mallinckrodt MB-23, 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Physics Department. Colloquium: "Recent Atomic Beam Experiments at Columbia." Professor I. I. Rabi, Columbia University. Room 6-120, 4:15 p.m.

School of Architecture and Planning. Lecture Series on Experiencing Architecture—II: "Two Conceptions: Solid or Cavity." Professor Steen E. Rasmussen. Room 7-427, 4:30 p.m.

Glee Club. Rehearsal. Room 2-190, 5:00 p.m. Lecture Series Committee. Film: "Open City." Room 10-250, 5:00, 7:30, and 9:30 p.m. Admission: 30 cents.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Mechanical Engineering Department. Seminar: "Operations Research." Professor Norman C. Dahl. Room 3-370, 4:00 p.m. Coffee in Room 3-174 from 3:30-4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Nautical Association. New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association. Freshman Finals for Nickerson Trophy—I. Sailing Pavilion, 1:00 p.m.

Freshman Cross Country. Meet with University of New Hampshire at Franklin Park, 2:30 p.m.

Varsity Cross Country. Meet with University of New Hampshire at Franklin Park, 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

Nautical Association. New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association. Freshman Finals for Nickerson Trophy—II. Sailing Pavilion, 10:00 a.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

Aeronautical Engineering Department. Seminar: "British Aircraft and the Farnborough Show." Captain S. Paul Johnston, Director of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, New York. Room 35-225, 4:00 p.m. Refreshments in the duPont Room from 3:30-4:00 p.m.

Outing Club. Meeting. Discussion of Mt. Katahdin trip. Room 18-007, 5:00 p.m.

Symphony Orchestra. Rehearsal. Morss Hall, Walker Memorial, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Committee on Machine Methods of Computation. Seminar: "The Dynamic Analysis and Control Laboratory Generalized Computer." Dr. W. W. Seifert. Room 12-182, 4:00 p.m.

Metallurgy Department. Colloquium: "The Carbonitriding Process of Case Hardening Steel." Professor Carl F. Floe. Room 35-225, 4:00 p.m.

School of Architecture and Planning. Lecture Series on Experiencing Architecture—III: "Mannerism in Architecture." Professor Steen E. Rasmussen. Room 7-427, 4:30 p.m.

Glee Club. Rehearsal. Room 2-190, 5:00 p.m.

Christian Science Organization. Subject: "When, Why, and How a Christian Scientist Prays." Tyler Lounge, Walker Memorial, 5:15 p.m.

Choral Society. Rehearsal. Room 2-190, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

Electrical Engineering Department. Colloquium: "Control of Fossil-, Fissionable-, and Fertile-Fueled Power Plants"—Part II. Dr. John C. Simons, Jr. Room 6-120, 4:30 p.m. Refreshments in Room 10-340 at 4:00 p.m.

Concert Band. Rehearsal. Morss Hall, Walker Memorial, 7:30 p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

Photographic Salon prints by Wellington Lee of New York City will be on display in the Photo Service Gallery, Basement of Building 11, through October 26.

An exhibition entitled "Greece: VI, V, IV Centuries" will be on view in the New Gallery of the Charles Hayden Memorial Library, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., through October 30.

Photographic Salon prints by Herman M. Bates of Worcester will be displayed in the Photo Service Gallery, Basement of Building 11, from October 26 to November 16.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Calendar of Events appears in *The Tech* on Tuesday with announcements for the following eight days (Wednesday through Wednesday). Notices, typewritten and signed, must be in the office of the editor, Room 7-204, not later than noon on Thursday prior to the date of publication. Material for the Calendar of October 28 to November 4 is due October 22.

Hayeem Continues Trip From Israel To Genoa And Italy

Three hundred French teen-age girls in shorts and sweaters overran the S. S. Negba. They belonged to the "Colonie de Vacance en Israel," a worthy organization devoted to spending summer vacations in the Holy Land. The aims of this society were varied and appealing. Among them were: suntanning in the hills of Judea, confusing the Israelis with their French, and pretending to be interested in the historical importance of ancient Palestine. They enjoyed themselves in spite of such inhibitions.

Israel gave these French girls the opportunity to dress as they pleased. There are no shorter shorts than those worn by people in Israel, and every one of the "Colonie" members subscribed to purchase these symbols of the Israeli austerity campaign immediately upon arrival. One pair was sufficient for the whole summer, because the probability of the deposition of dirt varies directly with the surface area of the shorts—a negligible probability!

The ship was small, having hardly

Stein Club Dinner

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the presentation ceremonies. Seated at the head table were Professor Paul Chalmers, Dr. Vernon Tate, Mr. Robert Booth, Mr. Brainerd Thresher, Dean John Burchard, Dean Thomas Pitre, Dean E. Francis Bowditch, Dean Harold Hazen, Mr. Horace Forde, Mr. Joseph Snyder, Dr. Julius Stratton, Dr. Compton, and Dr. Killian; Mr. Richard Marcus, president of the Technion chapter of Boston; Dr. E. Mishkin, graduate student from Israel at M.I.T.; past Stein Club president Harry Braude, Meyer Alpert, Oscar Horovitz, and Carney Goldberg; Abraham Shlager, president of the Boston Stein Club; Stanley Warshaw, 1st vice-president, Sidney Kaye, 2nd vice-president, Morris Gens, treasurer, and John Shore, secretary.

Calder Mobile

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ing it to the extent that many thought it proximate to a perpetual motion machine. Its artistic qualities have been the subject of much controversy among Techmen ever since its appearance. Calder's mobiles and stabiles have been exhibited for their artistic merits in the Ministry of Education in Rio de Janeiro, the Margaret Brown Gallery in Boston and in Paris prior to their introduction to the Institute.

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**All-Star Game Proposed
To Close Intramural Year**

by Philip Bryden, '56 and Philip Schaffer, '56

In order to stimulate interest in intramural sports and to recognize outstanding achievement in these sports, this column would like to suggest the possibility of an intramural all-star game. This game would pit the intramural champions against an intramural all-star team, or perhaps a Tech team against a team from Harvard or Boston University.

To facilitate the choosing of this proposed all-star team, more complete records of the games should be kept, including scoring on an individual as well as a team basis. At present virtually no records, outside of some house records, are being kept. Certainly there is no place one can learn who the league's leading scorer is. The job of keeping and tabulating the various scoring records is a job that can easily be handled by one man on the Athletic Association, Beaver Key, of *The Tech*, if he only gets a little cooperation from the various teams.

This column would also like to suggest a way of picking the all-star team. Each league champion would be

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BEAVER SCOREBOARD

Soccer:
Amherst 3, M.I.T. 1.
Football:
Mass. Maritime 51, M.I.T. Fr. 0.
Cross-Country:
M.I.T. 20, Brown 51,
Holy Cross 55
Sailing:
Yale defeated M.I.T., 2 races
to 1
Harvard defeated Amherst, 2-0
Harvard defeated Yale, 2-1
M.I.T. defeated Amherst, 2-1
M.I.T. Frosh 46, Dartmouth Fr.
45, Harvard Fr. 41, Rhode
Island Fr. 38, Merrimack Fr. 28,
Worcester Tech Fr. 22, North-
eastern Fr. 23.

Rugby:
M.I.T. Rugby Club 14, New
York Rugby Club 6.

BASKETBALL RALLY

A VARSITY BASKETBALL RALLY
WILL BE HELD THIS THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 22, IN THE WALKER
MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM.

Burton House Fire

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seemed to be the 420 section elevator. After safety was assured, firemen, policemen and students returned to their original pursuits in a slightly dampened condition because of water bombs.

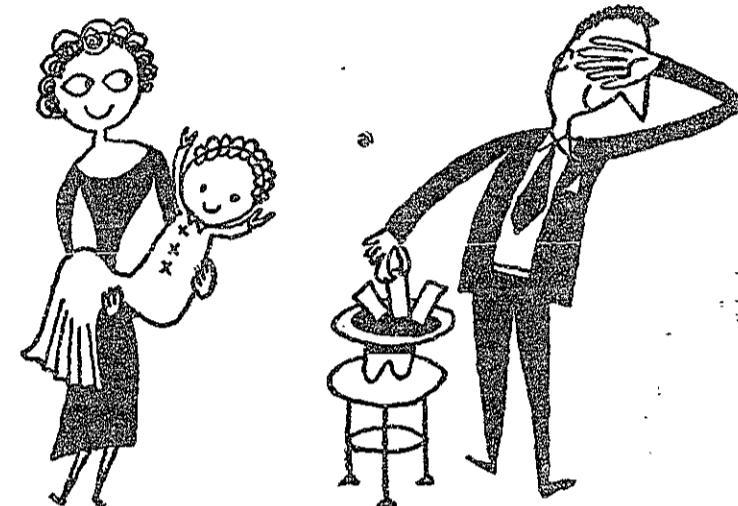
The only known casualty of the conflagration is a \$15.00, 7 inch, brass plated nozzle whose present whereabouts are unknown. A request has been made to return said nozzle to either the Burton House desk or the Cambridge Fire Department. No questions will be asked.

STUDENT DIRECTORY

Proofs for the Student Directory have been posted in the lobbies of Buildings 2 and 10. Students are requested to examine them and fill out correction cards if necessary.

MOTOR SPORTS

"The Hottest 500" a pre-release showing of this year's Indianapolis race film will highlight the Motor Sports Enthusiasts club meeting tonight at 5:00 p.m. in room 31-261. The club encourages prospective new members to attend tonight's meeting.

Oops, Wrong Number!

A college student decided to add several new shirts to his wardrobe. So one Saturday afternoon, he strolled into the local haberdashery store. "Let me see a few of those Van Heusen Pan-Am Pique Shirts the whole campus is raving about," he said.

"No wonder everyone is raving about Pan-Am Piques," said the clerk, laying several on the counter. "They're smart, comfortable, and come in Van Heusen's sensational new short collar styles. What's more, I have a complete line of smart new collegiate colors—as well as white. And they're only \$3.95."

"I've never seen a smarter shirt," admitted the student. "I'll take one in each color. And can I open a charge account?"

"Certainly," replied the clerk. "What is your name?"

"Size Six-and-Seven-Eighths Jones," replied the student.

"Size Six-and-Seven-Eighths Jones? What kind of a name is that?", asked the puzzled clerk.

"Well, when I was born my folks didn't know what to call me," he explained. "So they put a lot of names in a hat, and by mistake my near-sighted father pulled out the size ticket!"

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Room 10-250

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Admission 30 cents

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Dr. Killian's Address

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will be distributed by the Institute at a future date.

Below are reprinted excerpts from Dr. Killian's address.

"More people are now studying or working at M.I.T. than ever before in the history of the Institute—more than 11,000 people in all. This explains, as I am sure you will understand,

Beaver Barks

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teams. It would also create a great deal more interest in the intramural sports about the Institute.

Up to now, the Class of '56 has shown very little spirit concerning Field Day football. Usually less than a dozen men report to daily workouts. This is certainly not enough to hold a good practice. At least thirty uniforms have been issued but apparently the boys are waiting for a few days before Field Day to come out. By that time it will be too late to get the squad well coordinated. Tabor Academy visits Tech this coming Saturday for a game with the Sophs, and if '56 expects to win, they must have enough manpower and practice to become thoroughly organized.

It is a shame that out of approximately eight hundred sophomores, including many high-school lettermen, there are not enough men for a good-sized squad. Now is the time for you sophs to come out for the team if the Frosh are to be beaten on Field Day. It is up to the class of '56 to avenge last year's defeat. It would be very sad indeed if '56 were to lose twice in succession. After all this will probably be the last time the members of '56 will have an opportunity to play organized football.

stand, why we have a parking problem at the

Our student body is larger this year than it was last, even though the freshman class is somewhat smaller. All told we have 5,190 students compared to 5,074 a year ago. Interestingly enough the sophomore class is substantially larger than we expected in part because of transfers, and the number of graduate students has gone up.

Several modifications in our program make this year an auspicious one. One is the inauguration of our new Freshman Curriculum. The required number of contact hours has been reduced and a system of electives introduced. The freshmen have distributed themselves over these electives with commendable good judgment.

Another feature marking this year is the full development of our freshman counseling system involving both faculty and upperclassmen. This counseling program has brought faculty and students together to an extent greater than anything I have experienced in my career at the Institute.

Other important improvements in our campus in the coming months will include a beginning on the landscaping of the East Court, the court formed by the Library, the Dorrance Building, and the Eastman Laboratories. It is expected that the Lincoln Laboratory will be fully housed out in Lexington by the end of this academic year and that this will permit us to tear down Building 22. Doubts are expressed that the Institute will ever tear down any temporary building, but I can assure you that it is our present grim determination that Building 22 be torn down next summer. This will bring a tear to the eye of many a recent alumna and some of our present students who started their M.I.T. careers in the barracks which once filled this elegant specimen of advanced World War II architecture.

This is to be a year of important meetings at the Institute. Next week for example we will have a dozen officers and professors from the California Institute of Technology spending five days with us learning how M.I.T. conducts an institute of technology. This is a return call since a group of M.I.T. representatives had a very profitable session at Pasadena last spring learning how to conduct an institute of technology.

Still another important meeting which comes later this month is a variation of our well-known Andover conferences. This time the conference will be made up of a representative group of students selected by student government, together with members of the faculty and administration. This group will spend a week end at the Andover Inn discussing ways of further developing our student-faculty relationships and improving our community life. During the year, the faculty will be continuing its intensive review of our undergraduate program, and one of the proposals it has scheduled for discussion is the so-called Course XXI program. Course XXI, as it has been proposed, would be a curriculum in which about half of the work would be in the humanities and social sciences and the other half in engineering.

These are just a few of the things that you will be hearing about in the months ahead.

Hayeem In Italy

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with cobblestoned alleys that served as streets. These alleys, dark and sinister, with hardly any lighting, roamed aimlessly in distorted paths, a feature of every Italian city. Some one realized the uselessness of such streets and flooded them with water to create the city now known as Venice. This scheme I endorse for all cities abundant in alleyways, especially Boston.

It was while wandering through these alleys, the night we landed in Genoa, that I met one of the seamen from the ship. We hailed each other like two old friends, although we had hardly spoken at sea. Our only bond was our strangeness in this foreign land. Together we explored dimly lit paths and still darker porticos and patios. We were getting tired.

Basketball Rally

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lead a returning nucleus of nine lettermen. Other players figuring to help Tech improve on last year's 1-16 record are Jack Britt, '55; Bernie Gitteman, '54; Don Dix, '54; Bill Friedman, '55 and Dan Lickly, '54.

A tentative schedule of fourteen games has been set up with the curtain raiser set for December 5. Such perennial powerhouses in New England Basketball as Trinity, Bowdoin, New Hampshire and Boston University, will provide stumbling blocks for the Engineers to hurdle.

A pre-season rally has been scheduled for October 22 at 5:15 p.m. at Walker Memorial Gymnasium. Coach Whitelaw heartily invites all interested undergrads to attend the rally and tryouts.

We still had in our minds pictures of those sweaters, shorts, etc., until we realized that walking beside us was a member of the female sex. She appeared to me to be about forty-five years old, and had all the bulges of approaching age. My companion was engaged in some conversation with her that was beyond my comprehension. Evidently they had some language in common, because they were both gesticulating in a mysterious manner. Her gestures gained the upper hand, because we found ourselves following her across a tiled patio into a marble-entranced building. I proceeded with them up the stairs until she turned around, patted me on my shoulder, and gestured to me to wait at the entrance. As I heard their steps ascend, I turned around to examine the place. Directly across the alley was another building with a similar entrance. Seated on the steps were two Italian women, staring at me. I

quivered, and returned their gaze having no other alternative. In desperation I attempted to light a cigarette, but a wind sprang up from behind and blew out the match. My fingers were trembling, and the cigarette vibrated in my unsteady lips. I gave up.

Another tap on my shoulder relieved the tension. In Italian, which somehow vaguely seemed to understand, a voice asked me if I was waiting for a friend. I croaked out the affirmative, and followed the voice up the stairs.

As I entered the room, I had to bend, for the ceiling seemed to be very low. My friend was sitting on a couch caressing the woman we had met. She rose when I entered and smiled. At that instant I loathed her splashy red makeup and ugly figure. She beckoned again, and the door closed behind me.

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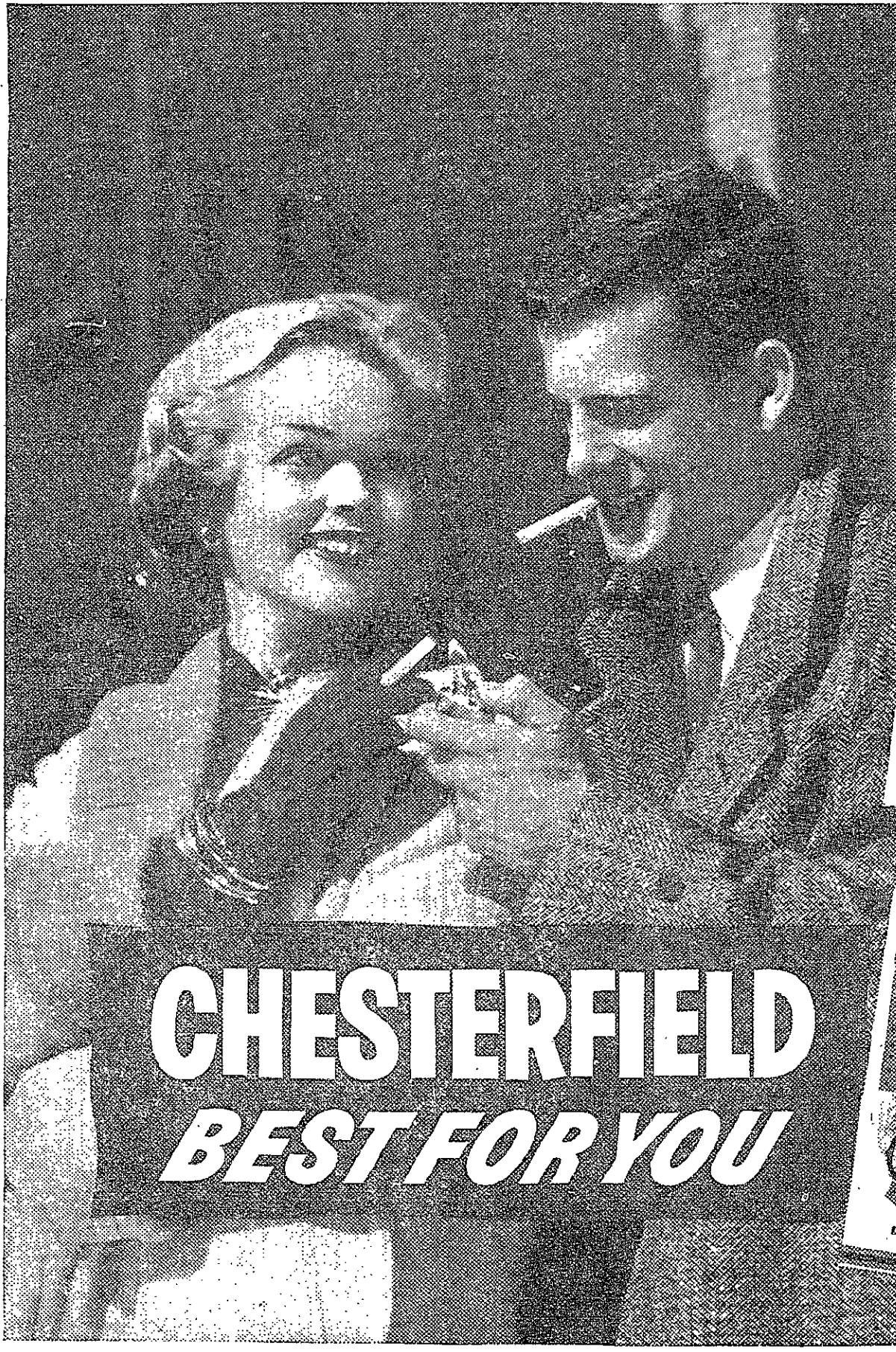
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